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PROVIDING A FLEXIBLE CALL
FORWARDING
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE
WITH AUTOMATIC SPEECH
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 19, 2003, Applicants submit the following remarks.

REMARKS

This Amendment is a submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 for a Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

In the Office Action, claims 1-2, 6-12 and 16-34 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over U.S. Patent 5,999,611 (Tatchell) in view of U.S. Patent 6,400,652 (Goldberg). Claims 3 and 13 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being obvious over